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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of Japan 2000-187963 is also enclosed.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 6,266,483
- (2) Japan 2000-187963

Japan 2000-187963 is discussed in the specification commencing at page 2 and might be deemed pertinent for the reasons given therein. An English-language abstract for this document is enclosed. In this regard, U.S. Patent No. 6,266,483 is believed to be the English-language equivalent of Japan 2000-187963.

Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3).

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